

Public Health Improvement Partnership

Public Health Information Technology Committee

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Objective 1: Coordinate IT planning statewide to establish clear minimum technology requirements and security requirements so that public health can provide rapid and secure information transfer and compatible technology.

- Min. req. for technology for a LHJ, including hardware and software.
- Min. req. for IT security.
- Min. req. for distance learning.
- Consultation and training to help people acquire needed skills to adopt min. technology req.

Objective 2: Develop data standards for selected areas.

- Clear data standards for some selected areas of public health, laying groundwork for continued development of data standards in years to come.

Objective 3: Share results of IT survey and use survey results to guide training and consultation opportunities.

Objective 4: Provide updated information on health indicators to local communities through VISTA in order to support health assessment capacity.

- Continued support to LHJs seeking assistance with VISTA.
- Updated data provided on the web.
- Limited improvements in VISTA capability; sub-county data.

Training on VISTA use.

Time	Topic	Description	Materials
9:00	Welcome & Introductions	Ed Dzedzy & Frank Westrum	
9:15	Project Updates	Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WEDSS• Electronic Death Registry• Client Services Documentation• Other	

10:30	Data Access Steward	<p>Ed – Discussion</p> <p>Many applications out there and the new ones are coming on line soon. Most require: 1) LHJs to authorize and track in some fashion, individuals with access various applications; 2) individuals to maintain some level of security (userid and password, digital certificate, etc.); 3) individuals to be trained in use of the applications; 4) some individuals to be trained in “administration” of the application; etc. When it was just a couple of applications, this was somewhat manageable. Now the burden is mounting.</p> <p>How can we learn effective strategies from each other? Is a coordinated approach needed? What would it look like? What are the issues? What are some options for addressing them? Are there questions, proposals or information that should be presented to the LHJ Administrators (PHELF)?</p>	
11:30	PHIN Conference Report	Jim O White, Mike, Torney Smith	
12:00	LUNCH	Show & Tell – Contact Database (Tim Murphy, Snohomish)	
1:00	NEDSS Standards	Mike Davisson - Presentation	
2:00	Business Recovery Models	Brent Veenstra – Discussion Discuss business recovery models for the first 24 hours of a disaster.	
2:30	Public Health – Washington IT Strategic Planning Recommendations for the PHIP Report	Frank & Ed	
3:15	Wrap-up and Next Agenda Topics		
3:30	Adjourn		

PHIT Communication Tools: <http://www.doh.wa.gov/pip/InfoTech/default.htm>
2004 Meeting Dates: January 28, April 28, July 28, October 27
Routine Meeting Date/Time: Quarterly – 1st Month of the Quarter; 4th Wednesday of the Month.
Routine Meeting Place: Wyndham Hotel, SeaTac, WA